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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated : 24th February, 2015.

1. The Secretary/Principal Secretary,
Rural Development Department,
All State Govts/UTs.

2. All DRDAs.

**Subject: Extension of IAY benefits to freed bonded labourers and families of manual scavengers irrespective of the BPL status.
– Amendment of IAY Guidelines - Regarding.**

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Committee of Secretaries (CoS) in its meeting held on 09.12.2014 has recommended that the Ministry of Rural Development may consider coverage of all identified manual scavengers in rural areas for providing housing, removing the restriction of the BPL criteria . After consideration of the matter it has been decided that in the case of manual scavengers, even the non BPL families shall be considered for assistance for housing. Accordingly, the following amendments have been made under the 'Special Projects' and the 'Implementation App'roaches' paragraphs in the IAY Guidelines,

Existing provision	Revised provision
3.2.4 Special projects (3) Settlement of freed bonded labourers and liberated manual scavengers	3.2.5 Special projects (3)Settlement of freed bonded labourers and liberated manual scavengers (irrespective of the BPL status).
4.1 Implementation approaches However, to cover eligible beneficiaries of certain categories who may be living scattered within a Village Panchayat, the individual household approach can be used: While following this approach, first priority should be given to families	4.1 Implementation approaches However, to cover eligible beneficiaries of certain categories who may be living scattered within a Village Panchayat, the individual household approach can be used: While following this approach, first priority should be given to freed

of manual scavengers, including those rehabilitated and rehabilitated bonded labourers.

bonded labourers and families of manual scavengers irrespective of the BPL status.

Necessary instructions may be issued accordingly to all District Collectors and DRDAs.

Yours faithfully,



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